

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the forgoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

ARGUMENTS

The Examiner rejected claims 1-15 under 35 U.S.C. 112 as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. More particularly, Examiner's objection relates to insufficient antecedent basis for the use of the expression "organic solvent" in step (x) of claim 1.

Accordingly, the claim 1 is amended by substituting the expression ---"nonpolar solvent or mixture thereof--- for "organic solvent." The terminology "nonpolar solvent or mixture thereof" has an antecedent basis in step (vi) of claim 1.

The claims 1-15 are now clear and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention.

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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